

EDUCATING ELECTRICAL ENGINEERS.

Perhaps the most interesting series of papers read before the recent annual convention of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers were those upon the education of electrical engineers. Such papers were presented by professors of electrical engineering at several of the leading American colleges, by electrical engineers of some of the largest electric power stations in the world, and by men at the head of the students' departments in the large electrical manufacturing establishments. The papers, and more especially the discussions of them, disclosed the fact that very great differences of opinion are held by those most interested as to the best course to be pursued in educating young men for electrical engineering. One speaker, who has had a wide experience as a teacher, as a practising electrical engineer, and as the head of a large electrical manufacturing concern, expressed himself as distinctly opposed to imparting to the student anything but the fundamentals of the science, together with a broad general education, especially literature. He would not teach Greek or Latin, except as literature, and considered the elaborate fitting of an electrical engineering laboratory in colleges a sheer waste of time and money. In his opinion, also, no one was qualified to teach electrical engineering but a practical electrical engineer. Equipped with a knowledge of the fundamentals of science, the student would quickly learn how to apply his knowledge when he began his apprenticeship as electrical engineer after leaving college. Other speakers pointed out that it was impossible to secure as professors of electrical engineering men who have been, or are, actually engaged in the work of electrical engineering, except in very rare instances. Others also spoke in favour of a well-equipped laboratory as the best thing to assist electrical engineering work, to say nothing of the facilities for original research that such a laboratory affords. There was no difference in opinion, however, as to the wisdom of giving the students a broader general education than has been the case heretofore even if this should lead to a lengthening of the college course, now of four years' extent.

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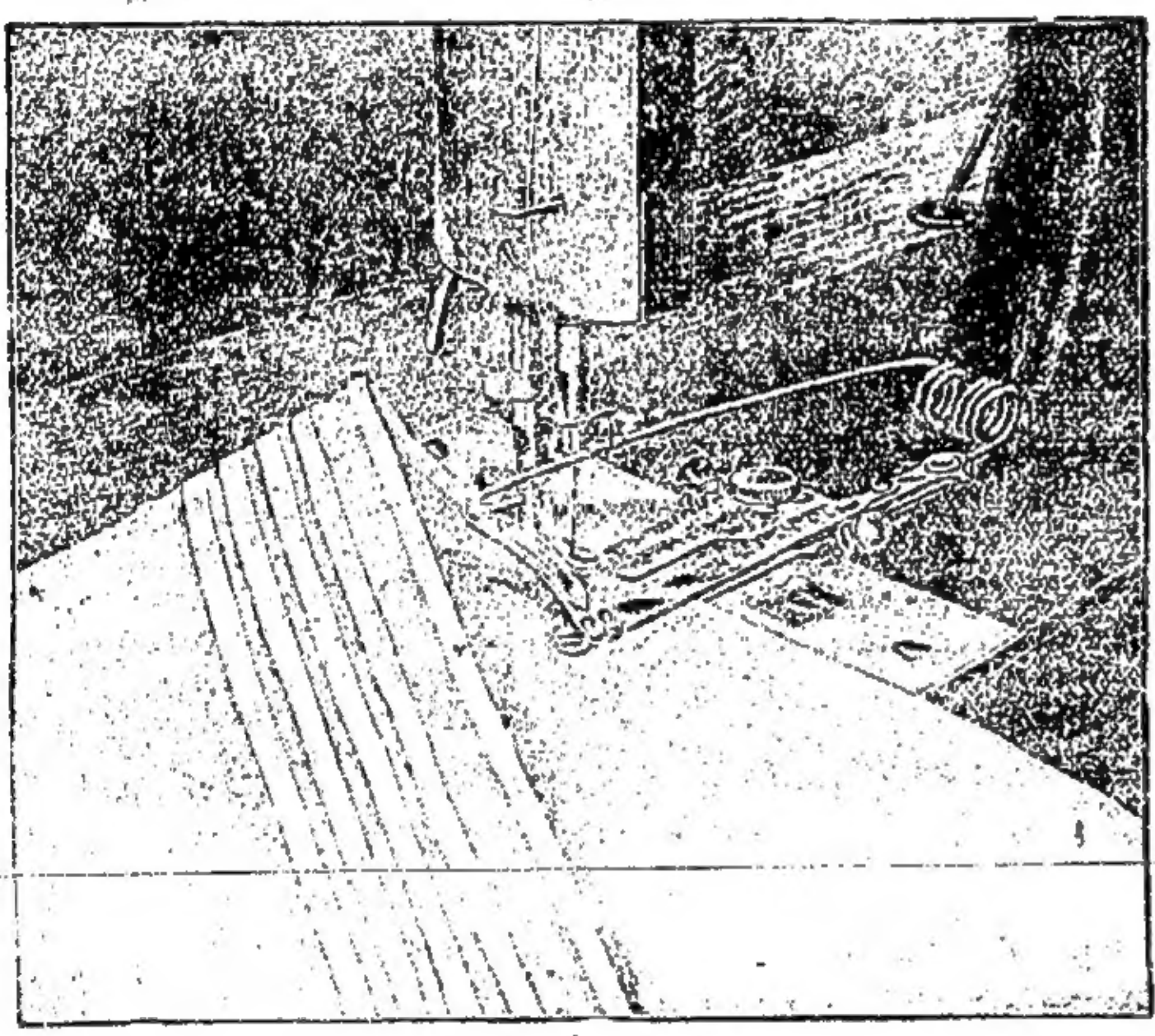


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Albatross	cruiser, 2nd class	4200	10	5000	Captain J. Sturtin	Singapore
Albatross	cruiser, 1st class	11,000	16	18,000	Captain H. Cherry	Hongkong
Albatross	cruiser, 1st class	9000	12	13,000	Captain F. G. Stipford	Taku
Albatross	gunboat, 1st class	710	6	1300	Lieut.-Com. F. M. Loxie	Foochow
Albatross	gunboat, 1st class	12,000	14	21,000	Captain H. M. Tudor	Amoy
Albatross	gunboat, 1st class	300	—	300	Captain R. H. S. Stokes	Hongkong
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Albatross	gunboat, 2nd class	363	3	300	Comdr. R. H. S. Stokes	—
Albatross	gunboat, 2nd class	1070	10	1400	Comdr. R. H. S. Stokes	—
Albatross	gunboat, 2nd class	260	6	5700	Comdr. R. H. S. Stokes	—
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Albatross	gunboat, 2nd class	1640	—	800	Comdr. J. D. Dainton	Shanghai
Albatross	gunboat, 2nd class	3690	16	3000	Comdr. J. D. Dainton	Shanghai
Albatross	gunboat, 2nd class	260	6	3000	Comdr. J. D. Dainton	Shanghai
Albatross	gunboat, 2nd class	180	2	800	Comdr. J. D. Dainton	Shanghai
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Aria Theres.	Austrian cruiser	5800	20	10,000	Captain Hans	Shanghai
Albatross	French gunboat	300	—	—	Lieut. A. Boley	Shanghai
Albatross	French gunboat	—	—	—	Capt. Thompson	Shanghai
Albatross	French gunboat	475	3	450	Commander Jourdain	Shanghai
Albatross	French gunboat	580	—	—	Lieut. Fild	Shanghai
Albatross	French gunboat	4000	19	3000	Capt. Lefevre	Shanghai
Albatross	French gunboat	625	—	—	Commander Louch	Shanghai
Albatross	French gunboat	690	—	—	Commander Leamy	Shanghai
Albatross	French flag ship	8114	14	12,500	Capt. Fournier	Shanghai
Albatross	French cruiser	3739	19	9000	Captain Bernin	Shanghai
Albatross	French gunboat	1250	6	2250	Capt. Le Galleur	Shanghai
Albatross	French gunboat	470	—	—	Capt. Bican	Shanghai
Albatross	French gunboat	—	—	—	Capt. Hunt	Shanghai
Albatross	French cruiser	3084	11	6500	Captain Louis	Shanghai
Albatross	French cruiser	9437	8	1071	Captain Bonifay	Shanghai
Albatross	French cruiser	1890	—	—	Capt. Vincent	Shanghai
Albatross	French gunboat	420	2	460	Captain Mercat	Shanghai
Albatross	French gunboat	—	—	—	Captain Blouet	Shanghai
Albatross	French gunboat	400	4	441	Comdr. Villeneuve	Shanghai
Albatross	German gunboat	1800	8	2800	Comdr. von Eassowitz	Shanghai
Albatross	German flag ship	11,000	16	14,000	Captain Friedrich	Shanghai
Albatross	German gunboat	1600	8	—	Capt. Hillbrandt	Shanghai
Albatross	German gunboat	6500	20	10,000	Capt. Paechen	Shanghai
Albatross	German cruiser	6000	20	10,000	Capt. Zerkow	Shanghai
Albatross	German gunboat	1000	10	1300	Lieut.-Comdr. Schamov	Shanghai
Albatross	German gunboat	900	10	1300	Comdr. Barger	Shanghai
Albatross	German gunboat	850	10	1300	Comdr. Wulmann	Shanghai
Albatross	German gunboat	1120	8	1500	Comdr. Hillbrandt	Shanghai
Albatross	German gunboat	1600	8	2500	Comdr. Hoffmann	Shanghai
Albatross	German gunboat	900	10	1300	Comdr. von Mittelstadt	Shanghai
Albatross	German gunboat	—	—	—	Comdr. von Weise	Shanghai
Albatross	Italian cruiser	2900	10	6243	Captain John Boet	Shanghai
Albatross	Italian cruiser	4583	16	10,543	Captain Dadi	Shanghai
Albatross	Italian cruiser	2270	10	7000	Captain Canale	Shanghai
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Albatross	Portuguese gunboat	730	—	—	Captain Azevedo	Shanghai
Albatross	Portuguese gunboat	690	—	—	Captain F. J. D. Leol	Shanghai
Albatross	Russian cruiser	9000	18	9400	Captain Stenmann	Shanghai
Albatross	Russian gunboat	840	6	750	Comdr. Gunter	Shanghai
Albatross	Russian gunboat	2200	5	4700	Comdr. Granatichko	Shanghai
Albatross	Russian gunboat	1050	8	1150	Comdr. Zaslavsky	Shanghai
Albatross	Russian gunboat	600	9	3500	Comdr. Yozoff	Shanghai
Albatross	Russian gunboat	1400	6	2000	Comdr. Zagarsky	Shanghai
Albatross	Russian battleship	12,304	14	14,500	Captain Jenson	Shanghai
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Albatross	Russian protected cruiser	10,322	26	13,500	Capt. Matusevich	Shanghai
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Albatross	Russian gunboat	950	5	1125	Lieut.-Comdr. Ivanoff	Shanghai
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Albatross	U. S. cruiser	4140	—	—	Lieut.-Comdr. Sperry	Shanghai
Albatross	U. S. flag ship	8540	22	17,407	Captain M. R. S. Mackenzie	Shanghai
Albatross	U. S. gunboat	1600	6	800	Commander J. P. Selfridge	Shanghai
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WEDNESDAY, September 17.
9 a.m. Opening of Kowloon School.
9 a.m. Opening of German School.
2 p.m. Sale of Works at the Italian Consulate from this date to the 8th Inst.

THURSDAY, September 18.
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DEATH.
On the 16th September, 1902, at 6 p.m., at Nagasaki, Captain W. WENDT.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 1902.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Notes by the Way.
Canada is sending her salute with the Merford-Ross rifle.

General French was to assume command of the First Army Corps on the 15th inst.

Earl Percy, M.P., the Under-Secretary for India, has abandoned his intention to visit India.

Major His Serene Highness Prince Francis of Teck, K.C.V.O., D.S.O., has retired from the Service.

Reuter is informed that nothing has been definitely settled as to the Duke of Connaught's visit to India.

The French and British Mails of the 11th and 16th August were delivered in London on the 15th Sept.

Captain H. B. Welman, The King's (Shropshire Light Infantry) is promoted Major (A. F. A. Lytle, deceased).

One hundred and one officers and men of the Royal Welsh Fusiliers arrived at Southampton from Capetown by the Union-Castle line *Trinidad* on the 17th ult.

Mr. Francis Williamson, of Essex, has been commissioned to execute three colossal bronze statues of the late Queen Victoria, for erection in the North-Western Provinces of India.

From Month to Month says:—Mr. John Hinde, B.A., was ordained for work under the Dublin University Fuh-kien Mission in Killalea Cathedral by the Lord Bishop of the Diocese on St. John the Baptist's Day (June 24). Mr. Hinde hopes to arrive in Fuh Ning some time in November; he will represent the Killalea Diocese as its "Own Missionary" in the foreign field.

Probate of the will of Mr. William Alexander Mann, of 7, King-street, St. James, joint general manager of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia, and China, who died on May 31 last, aged 61 years, having been in the service of the bank since 1868, has been granted to his sister, Mrs. Mary Jane Alexander Macgregor, wife of Mr. Robert Lamb Watson Macgregor, of 6, Bonnington-terrace, Edinburgh, and probate has been pronounced by Mr. James Gordon and Mr. Charles Rowett Macgregor, also named as executors of the will. The late Mr. Mann's estate has been valued at £35,752 3s. 1d. gross, and £33,032 15s. 5d. net.

Fatality on a Warship.
A gunner while firing a salute in honour of the Shah on the warship *Victory* at Portsmouth on the 20th ult. was killed. The accident was due to a charge exploding prematurely.

A New British Gun.
The War Office has been conducting a series of experiments with a new 18-pounder field gun, which, it is stated, promises to prove superior to any field gun in possession of any other Power.

A Nurse Decorated.
The King has been pleased to confer the decoration of the Royal Red Cross on Miss H. Wedgewood, Matron of the Royal Free Hospital, in recognition of her services in connection with the Army Nursing Reserve during the recent War in South Africa.

General Election next Year!
The London correspondent of the *Indo-China Daily News* telegraphs that he is informed on high authority that it is probable that there will be a General Election next year. Amongst the reasons given for this appeal to the country is that the King wishes a new Parliament.

A Boston 'School of Correspondence.'
The American School of Correspondence at Boston has offered four free scholarships to European and Eurasian young men in India desirous of acquiring a thorough technical education in electrical, mechanical, stationary, marine, locomotive, and textile engineering; also heating, ventilating, and plumbing.

Torpedo Boat Trial.
The torpedo-boat destroyer *Express*, ordered from Laird Brothers, of Birkenhead, six years ago, has completed her contract trials and on the 8th ult. a crew was sent from Devonport to navigate her to Plymouth, to which station she is to be attached. The *Express* was one of the first of the 33-knot destroyers ordered, and before the Admiralty would accept her she was subjected to 27 preliminary and to 13 official trials. The chief difficulty was the inability to attain the speed contracted for. After arriving at Plymouth, the vessel will be subjected to further trials.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The Veteran of Cricket.
Dr. W. G. Grace, the veteran cricketer, has completed an aggregate of 1,000 runs in first-class cricket during the present season.

The War Gratuity and Medal.
The 31st May, 1902, is notified as the last date by which the South African War gratuity and the Medal.

The China Expeditionary Force.
The expenditure connected with the China Expeditionary Force is estimated roughly as follows: for the current official year from the 1st April to end of June £150,000; from the 1st July to 31st March £254,000 current and £270,000 non-recurrent, or a total of £524,000.

A Royal Gift.
The Church Review learns that the King has presented to Westminster Abbey a most beautiful golden ornament, composed of a crucifix, from the base of which issue two branches, one on either side, supporting the figures respectively of the Blessed Virgin and St. John. This magnificent ornament is understood to be the King's special Coronation gift to the Abbey.

Kowloon Bowling Green Club.
The final game for the handsome Cup presented by Mr. W. Ramsay, President of the Club, will be played off on Saturday next, the 20th inst., at 4.45 p.m. The finalists are Mr. J. Macdonald and Mr. A. Laverton. The losers in the semi-final, Mr. T. Robertson and Mr. J. Kiersey, will also play off at the same hour for the third prize. Both pairs are well matched, and the games are sure to be very close and interesting. Ladies are invited to be present.

The New U.S. Army Uniform.
A New York correspondent writes:—The new Field Service uniform to be adopted by the United States Army after 1902 will be first seen publicly on Germany's guests at the coming Manoeuvres. The uniforms will be Generals Corbin, Wood, and Young, with their Aids, Mr. McKinley, the late President's nephew. The colour is olive drab mixture; the material is of closely woven wool or, for the Tropics, a mixture of cotton. The style is severely plain. Officers think the material superior to the old khaki or blue, both of which are discarded for field use.

Decorated Missionaries.
The following paragraph appears in 'From Month to Month,' the organ of the Hongkong Church Missionary Association:—Last month we noted the return home of Mrs. Mrs. Dunder of Pakhoi, which had been preceded a few months earlier by the return of Mrs. E. B. and Mrs. Beauchamp. No mention, however, was made of the fact that just before his departure Dr. Horder received and accepted from the Prefect of Lin Chau, the offer of a mandarin's button. The incident, though trivial, illustrates the relations existing between the Pakhoi missionaries and those among whom they work. A similar button was sent to Mr. Beauchamp.

Binderpest.
Mr. A. Green, Colonial Veterinary Surgeon, reported to the Sanitary Board to-day as follows:—I have to report for the information of the Board that yesterday (10th September) I visited the villages of Shatin. Ho-no-tai, Shing-wo-tai, and Luk-yin in the new Territory where cattle were reported to have died from binderpest.

The three last-mentioned villages are on the New Road, and all the cattle coming into Hongkong by land pass through them. The cattle come from Hei-fung, San-on, Chai-chow, Kwai-shan, &c., and it is the custom of the men who drive them to rest at some of these villages for a little before driving the cattle over the hills into Yau-mat. The villagers state that about a month ago one animal was left lying on the road suffering from diarrhoea. It died, and was skinned and eaten. After that, a few of the cattle died, and one at least was taken out to sea and dumped, the carcass afterwards being found by the police and buried. So far as I could ascertain, about eight cattle altogether had died, and in these villages there are between three and four hundred head of cattle, including water buffaloes. The cases which died were all isolated cases, and no owner appeared to have lost more than one animal.

I do not think that binderpest is existent in these villages, although owing to the habit of killing and eating every animal that becomes sick and sending the healthy ones to the hills for a time, it is not improbable that some infectious disease carried off the cattle and that the disease did not spread owing to the measures adopted by the natives themselves. I do not think that any further action is necessary with regard to this outbreak.

The President intimated:—As all the cattle proceed to the Depot at Hungkong before being slaughtered, there is not much danger of infected meat being sold here.

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The Army Service Corps.
In order to mark his sense of the good work done by the Army Service Corps in South Africa, His Majesty the King has created a Colonel-in-Chief, appointing the Duke of Connaught to the post.

A Recruiting Expedition.
With a view to stimulating recruiting for the army, the War Office is making arrangements to station a battalion of the Royal Scots Guards at Edinburgh, and a battalion of the Royal Irish Guards at Dublin.

The Australians and South Africa.
Two thousand pounds are guaranteed the Australian cricketers if they visit South Africa, and also the surplus from the proceeds of the tour. Six matches will be played—two at Capetown, two at Johannesburg, one at Durban, and one at Pretoria or Kimberley.

A British Submarine.
The deep-sea trials of Submarine No. 4, which were postponed owing to a slight mishap to her gasoline engine, were successfully concluded in the Irish Sea. The boat proceeded out of Barrow Harbour, accompanied by a tugboat. She was then submerged to a depth of 100 ft., and in this position she travelled for about six miles. Afterwards she went through several evolutions on the surface.

The Australians and MacLaren's Team.
A London newspaper received by the German mail says:—As the decision of the Australians to visit South Africa will not necessitate their departure till the end of next month, it has been suggested that they should try conclusions with MacLaren's team that visited Australia last winter. A suitable date would, it is thought, be Monday, September 15, and following days, and the venue either the Oval or Lord's. Trouble does not visit South Africa.

The British Post Office.
The forty-eighth annual Report of the Postmaster General, bears the signature of Lord Londonderry, who has just been succeeded in that office by Mr. Austen Chamberlain. It deals with the business of the Post Office for the year ended March 31 last. From this it appears that the total number of postal packets delivered in the United Kingdom during the year was 3,919,000,000, an increase of 5.2 per cent. over the previous year, the average number to each person being 94.2. This huge number was made up as follows:—Letters, 2,451,500,000; postcards, 144,900,000; book packets and circulars, 706,200,000; newspapers, 169,800,000; parcels, 80,600,000.

The Kowloon Bicksha Coolie.
We do not know that it is our business to endeavour to explain Mr. J. H. Kemp's decision as Police Magistrate, but that his position should be explained is only fair to him and to Kowloon residents who do not understand some of his recent decisions. We understand that Mr. Kemp holds—and his view of the law is endorsed by the Government's responsible legal advisers—that no ricksha coolie need obey the ricksha stand at the request of any person on behalf of a third party. That is to say, the ricksha coolie is not only justified but is legally correct in refusing to obey the summons of any resident sent through a subordinate or servant. This does not mean, in Mr. Kemp's opinion, we believe, that a European living, let us say, at a distance of a mile from the Ferry Wharf Stand must go in person and call the ricksha to his house door in order to convey him to the Wharf—which is absurd, as certain learned gentlemen and men in the street have said. The ricksha may be summoned by a subordinate. All the party need do is to send the servant to the ricksha stand, where he may select a ricksha, and say to the coolie 'I engage you.' Should the ricksha coolie then refuse to obey the summons, he may be prosecuted, with the sure and certain hope of conviction for refusing hire the prosecutor then being the servant. The Police Magistrate's law is correct, and all the Magistrate has to do is to administer the law. Commonsense, or what passes current as commonsense, does not enter into the matter at all, although some people, including ourselves, fell into the mistake of supposing it did. In the administration of criminal law, the law must be followed rigidly on cast iron lines; so in future, if aggrieved Kowloon residents wish to make an example of disagreeable ricksha coolies, they must follow the proper procedure. House boys and coolies sent to hire a ricksha must be properly instructed in the proper and legal method of 'How to engage a ricksha.' They must engage the ricksha on their own account, and by this means should succeed in bringing the ricksha to their employer's door, at which point the European may occupy the ricksha hired by his servant in the first instance. We hope we have made Mr. Kemp's attitude clear to the meekest intellect. It seems all beautifully absurd—like the 'precious nonsense' talked by Bunthorne's rival in *Patience*—but the law is the law, you know! The above is in addition to the advice we gave last night for the treatment of offensive ricksha coolies.

TELEGRAMS.

THE BOER GENERALS TO VISIT GERMANY.
LONDON, September 16th, 1902.
The Boer Generals are expected in Berlin next week. The Pan-Germans are making great preparations to receive them, and there is alarm in official quarters at the prospects of Anglophobe demonstrations. The semi-official journals are dwelling strongly on the impolicy of such attitude.

YACHTING—THE AMERICA CUP.
LONDON, September 16, 1902.
Sir Thomas Lipton has finally decided to issue another challenge for the America Cup to be sailed for in 1903. *Shamrock III* will resemble her predecessors, but will be less costly.

REMARKABLE SPEECHES BY THE FRENCH MINISTER OF MARINE.
M. Pelletan, French Minister of Marine, recently visited Ajaccio, Corsica, where he emphasized the necessity of fortifying Corsica in order to consolidate the position of France in the Mediterranean; and as though finding full at Italy's heart, M. Pelletan has now gone to Biarritz, where he has delivered another remarkable speech. Speaking of the French navy at Biarritz and Corsica, he said that France had no desire to go to war with England, but it was her duty to prepare for a holy war for public against any enemies. It is reported that M. Delcasse is much amused at M. Pelletan's speeches.

SUPREME COURT.
IN CRIMINAL SESSIONS.
(Before His Honour W. Meigh Goodman Chief Justice and a Jury.)
Thursday, September 18.

THE BANK NOTE CASE.
Saul Philip Levy was charged (1) with having uttered a forged bank note on the 7th September, and (2) with having forged bank notes in his possession.

Mr. H. S. Berkeley, Attorney General, instructed by Mr. H. L. Danvers, Crown Solicitor, conducted the prosecution, and Mr. M. W. Slade, instructed by Mr. P. W. Goldring (of Messrs Deacon and Hastings), defended the accused.

The accused pleaded not guilty to both charges, and the following jury was empanelled:—D. Ennamagoo, J. Landolt, J. L. Stuart, C. B. H. Schumacher, W. Kidd, D. H. H. Silas, R. Douglas.

On being called Mr. Kidd said:—I would ask your Lordship to be excused from service on the jury. My colleague, Mr. Houston, is absent from the Colony, and in his absence there is no one to look after our important works.

His Lordship:—I am afraid I cannot make that an excuse.

Mr. Kidd:—You are aware, your Lordship, that these are important naval works. His Lordship:—We will see after this case. I will see what I can do. It is very likely I will be able to get you after this case, but I cannot do so entirely now.

Subsequently, His Lordship said, after Mr. Kidd had taken his place in the jury box:—I may go the length of saying that I will dispense with your service after this case.

The Attorney General said, in his address to the jury:—The prisoner is indicted on two counts, the first of which accuses him of having uttered to the Hongkong Bank two bank notes of \$50 each, those bank notes being forged and he knowing them to be forged. There is a further count against him which charges him with being in possession of other bank notes beyond those he attempted to pass at the Bank, they also being forged and he knowing them to be so. The Crown will have to prove, and will endeavour to do so, first, that the prisoner issued notes that were forged; secondly, that he knew them to be forged; and thirdly, that he was in possession of the world need not tell you the nature of the evidence certain circumstances which will lead you to the reasonable conclusion that the prisoner knew they were forged notes. Therefore, if I can establish to your satisfaction—as I have no doubt I will be able to do—the first fact that he was the man who passed the notes, and if you conclude that he knew they were forged, then he must be found guilty on the first count. Secondly, there will be no difficulty in proving that a certain number of notes other than those uttered by the prisoner were found in a box in his house. Circumstances will again be put before you on which you will be asked to draw the reasonable inferences that he knew these notes were forged.

Evidence was then led.

After a short absence, the jury returned and the foreman announced that they found the accused not guilty by 4 to 3.

His Lordship refused to accept this verdict. The law had to be put in its proper place, and there must be a majority of 5 to 2 one way or another. He asked the jury to retire and reconsider their verdict.

Five minutes later they returned, and the foreman announced they found the accused not guilty by 5 to 2 on both counts.

A Guest at a wedding ceremony had imbibed not wisely, but too well, and was consequently in a rather jolly mood. Another guest, noticing his elevated condition, remarked to his partner:—'The gentleman appears either fond of a glass or a little tipsy.' 'Yes,' she replied, quite coolly, 'and the worst of it is he is my father.' Tableau.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

CORONATION MEDALS.
To the Editor of the 'CHINA MAIL.'
Hongkong, September 17.
SIR,—Would you be so kind as to insert the following in the columns of your valuable paper:—

Can anyone inform me as to when the Coronation Medal, which it was suggested should be issued to the Navy and Army who were actually serving at the time in Hongkong, and which, I believe, ordered to be struck in July last; will be presented to the men who were then serving?

Some considerable time has elapsed since the celebration of the Coronation, and no sign of the medal being issued is forthcoming, notwithstanding the fact that the departure of the majority of the Troops who were then here, will shortly take place. Yours,

MEDALS.
(We regret to say that no information is as yet available.—Ed., C. M.)

THE FORTHCOMING RACES.
To the Editor of the 'CHINA MAIL.'
Hongkong, September 18.

SIR,—From the Editorial note at the foot of 'Griffin's' last edition, most sportsmen would be pleased to observe that they were to be spared further sorrows from him. Griffin, like little boys, should be seen and not heard during the proverbial period of the griffinhood. What we want are some practical suggestions or criticisms bearing on our coming Race Meeting, and in this connection I should like to know by what right, and on what grounds the discarded horse at a recent auction are to be allowed to race, as I understand, they are, as Subscription Griffs at the next race in February. According to the Rules of Racing of the Hongkong Jockey Club (Rule No. 14 of Part I.), it is laid down that 'a Subscribed Griffin is a horse running one of a number subscribed for and driven by it.'

Now, thirty Griffs only were subscribed for, and thirty-five were sent up, the extra five being on the dealer's own account. Of the thirty-five, five were discarded, one for being over the stipulated height, three for being under the stipulated weight, and one for general disability; and as an original subscriber I maintain it is unfair that these discarded should be sold by public auction to race against animals probably inferior for which original subscribers have paid £40 apiece. The five animals discarded were the property of Mr. Kles, and having been discarded no encouragement should have been given to him (or others) to send up animals which did not conform to the conditions of the order. Had these animals conformed to said conditions, there were extra subscribers willing to pay £40 each for them, but this was not allowed. The ponies were condemned and sold by public auction, and the public were informed that any persons buying some could race them as 'Subscription Griffs.'

If the Stewards authorized this extraordinary proceeding, they should only have been empowered to do so by the consent of every one of the individual subscribers. How many of these were consulted I know not, but I do know that I was not amongst the number?

To make matters appear more ridiculous it was 'announced' prior to the sale by auction that the pony which measured over the stipulated height would not be allowed to race, because of that irregularity. Then why were the discarded below the stipulated height allowed to race?

In my opinion subscribers who have paid a high price of £40 (very high for a majority of the wagers that have come up) have a distinct grievance that any person going to a public auction and buying a discarded animal should be allowed to do so on level terms with the £40 ponies, and I think the Stewards should have proceeded the subscribers' interests more and Mr. Kles's loss.

How do they propose to get out of the infringement of Rule 14 of Part I of the Rules of Racing of the Hongkong Jockey Club?—Yours,

OWNER.

Good News.
The Colony having been free of plague for a period of ten days is therefore declared to be a 'clean port.' Clean Bills of Health are now issued.

The Hongkong Police.
Mr. Lyons, the new Deputy Superintendent of Police, arrived by the German mail steamer *Preussen* from Singapore last night. He reported at Police Headquarters this morning.

Mortality Statistics.
For the week ended 3rd August, the death-rate of the whole community in Hongkong was 25.5, as compared with 36.8 in the previous week and 19.9 in the corresponding week of last year. For the week ended 6th September the death-rate was 25.3, as compared with 18.4 in the corresponding week in 1901.

Rats.
The total number of rats captured in the Colony this year from 1st January to 15th September is 82,316, as compared with 62,170 last year at the same date. For the week ended 16th inst., there were 141 rats captured in the city, only 3 of which were infected with plague. At Kowloon, 192 rats were caught and 4 were infected.

Sarah Bernhardt.
It is announced, that Mrs. Sarah Bernhardt, who till now has been the only French actress of repute who would not appear before a German audience, intends to visit Saxony with a select company next winter. Some doubts were expressed as to whether the artist, who once declared that the salary she should demand for an appearance in Prussia would be Alace and Laurance, would ever go to Berlin, but these are now removed by the announcement that negotiations with the management of the Royal Court Theatre are on the point of being successfully concluded. It is supposed that the very warm reception accorded to her French colleagues in Berlin, last year, by Society and by his Majesty himself, and especially the laurels gathered by M. Coquelin at the Court Theatre last season, have softened the heart of the French actress.

LATE TELEGRAMS.

The Rugby section of the Hongkong F. has sustained a serious loss by the transfer to Shanghai of the Captain, Mr J. McMurtrie. Mac was a sterling player & he managed the Rugby section admirably throughout the season. I do not now know who is to replace him, but it is expected the Rugby section, now that we've so many regiments in the Garrison, will be as powerful as ever.

Mr. Lindtner is general superintendent. He is also a golfer. This is more important, but of course any one, even Mr. George Collings, the late Parliamentary Secretary to the Home Office, can be a golfer, but we all know that 'it is a lie to play golf.' He is now, *in ad exemplar* (Excuse the Latin phrase). These things are scholarship excuses from me as naturally 'as the excise out of roses from the otter,' a hard-core automobilist. He has just purchased an English-built motor car which is able to speed thirty miles an hour. This is distressing. The pleasure was from the beginning obviously indignant of anyone who dared travel more rapidly than was possible in the days of the Pharaohs, and has been a long and general excuse for the fact that when asked a mile in five minutes, the motorists are petulant, and insist on personal appearance in answer to a summons, and will not be appeased by letter and a cheque. We may live to see the head of the law-giving government fined for breaking the law as to excessive driving, or, better still, jailed some Radical J.P. without the sanction of a fine, in the middle of the committee stage of the Education Bill. Presumably he intends to make the thing still thirty miles, or he might just as well have stuck to his old 7 h.p. Panhard, and avoid the result with interest. The day last seen, the King bowed to Windsor (24 miles) in an hour and so, and on the same day one of his subjects was fined for travelling a slightly slower rate. Will the police be as blind to the prime minister's rate of progression as to that of more exalted personages?

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Butterfield & Swire....	October 24.
Butterfield & Swire ..	November 15.
Melchers & Co.....	October 23, at noon.
Butterfield & Swire ..	October 24, at noon.
Butterfield & Swire ..	September 19.
Hamburg-Am'ka Linie	Sept. 20, at noon.
Hamburg-Am'ka Linie	September 24.
Hamburg-Am'ka Linie	October 8.
Hamburg-Am'ka Linie	October 22.
Butterfield & Swire ..	October 14.
Nippon Yusen Kaisha.	Sept. 25, at noon.
Butterfield & Swire ..	October 4.
Nippon Yusen Kaisha.	Sept. 27, Daylight.
Butterfield & Swire ..	September 30.
Butterfield & Swire ..	October 14.
Butterfield & Swire ..	October 23.
Butterfield & Swire ..	November 11.
Butterfield & Swire ..	November 25.
P. & O. S. N. Co.....	Sept. 13, at noon.
Butterfield & Swire ..	Sept. 20, at noon.
Nippon Yusen Kaisha.	Sept. 24, Daylight.
Nippon Yusen Kaisha.	Oct. 4, Daylight.
Messageries Maritimes	Sept. 23, at 1 p.m.
Jardine, Matheson & Co	Sept. 20, at 4 p.m.
Butterfield & Swire ..	September 22.
Butterfield & Swire ..	Sept. 23, at 4 p.m.
Shewan, Tomes & Co	Sept. 26, at 4 p.m.
Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.	Sept. 26, at 4 p.m.
Nippon Yusen Kaisha.	Sept. 26, at noon.
Dowdell & Co. Limited	About Sept. 20.
Portland & A. S. Co.	Oct. 14, at 7 p.m.
Shewan, Tomes & Co	Sept. 26, at 4 p.m.
Jardine, Matheson & Co	Sept. 30.
Butterfield & Swire ..	September 19.
Siemens & Co.....	Sept. 20, at 4 p.m.
P. & O. S. N. Co.....	Oct. 4, Sept. 27.
Portland & A. S. Co.	October 14.
Portland & A. S. Co.	November 24.
Sander, Wulfer & Co	Sept. 26, p.m.

Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Sept. 23, at 4 p.m.
Sandau, Weller & Co.	Sept. 23, at p.m.
Quang, P'eng & Co.	Sept. 20, at 4 p.m.
Osaka Shosen Kaisha.	October 1.
Osaka Shosen Kaisha.	September 24.
Osaka Shosen Kaisha.	Sept. 21.
Gibb, Livingston & Co	Oct. 2, at noon.
Nippon Yusen Kaisha.	October 4, at noon.
Butterfield & Swire.	September 27.
(S. C.) Canadian P'ac. Co.	Oct. 3, at 4 p.m.
Canadian P'ac. R. Co.	Oct. 3.
(S. C.) Canadian P'ac. R. Co.	October 22.
Nippon Yusen Kaisha.	Sept. 22, at 4 p.m.
Nippon Yusen Kaisha.	Oct. 4, at 4 p.m.
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—QUOTATIONS.

DATE.	PRICE.	NAME.	QUOTATIONS.
SEPTEMBER 13, 1902.			

Year.	Fabric.	Wigs.	Shoes.	Cash.	Merchandise.
1790	157	all	1	2,095	sales & buyers
1791	10	1	8	227	London, £13
1792	10	1	8	227	sales
1793	1	1	1	810	sales
1794	250	8	50	3,175	buyers
1795	83,33	10	29	5,583	sales
1796	10	1	1	100	1797, sellers
1797	100	8	20	in liquidation	
1798	250	8	50	3,400	sales & buyers
1799	100	8	60	3,127	sales
1800	100	8	20	5,844	buyers
1801	250	8	50	3,236	buyers
1802	50	all	22	2,210	buyers
1803	25	8	20	5,474	sales & buyers
1804	63	8	63	537	buyers

700	Tls. 100	Tls100	Tls. 177½ buyers
000	50	50	\$22½ buyers
000	50	50	amount
000	50	50	\$42 buyers
000	10	15	\$39½ sellers
000	10	15	80, sellers
000	10	10	\$29½ sellers
000	10	5	\$11½, sellers
000	10	10	\$27½, sellers
000	Tls. 50	Tls100	Tls. 20, buyers
000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 65, sales
000	Tls. 100	Tls100	Tls. 130, buyers
000	Tls. 100	Tls100	Tls. 156, buyers
000	50	all	\$53, buyers
000	50	100	\$10
000	50	Tls. 50	Tls. 7½, buyers
000	50	all	\$84, buyers
000	100	Tls100	Tls. 9½, sellers
000	50	100	\$172, sellers
000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 116, sales
000	50	50	\$30, sellers
784	Tls. 25	Tls. 25	Tls. 184, sellers
000	10	all	\$11½, buyers
000	50	50	\$47½, sellers
250	50	all	\$345, buyers
000	5	all	\$13, buyers
000	10	all	c4½, buyers
000	1	all	61, sellers

000	Fcs. 350	all	\$550
000	£ 1	18/10	\$51
000	\$ 50	all	\$131
000	\$ 50	\$ 50	\$45, sellers
000	T. Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 150 netlets
500	\$ 100	\$ 1.0	\$59, nominal
000	\$ 10	all	\$14, sellers
000	\$ 10	\$ 10	\$7, buyers
000	£ 1	all	\$140, buyers
000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 120, sales

000	5	10	5	\$13	sellers
000	3	10	5	\$84	sellers
000	5	21	5	\$102	sellers
000	5	50	50	\$20	sellers
004	C	12/6	& 12/8	\$1	buyers
000	5	19	5	\$84	sellers
000	5	10	10	\$55	buyers
000	5	50	5	\$40	
000	5	1	5	\$92	sellers
000	5	74	all	\$12	buyers
000	5	15	all	\$240	buyers
000	5	20	C 20	1% 35%	buyers
000	5	5	5	0 nominal	
000	5	6	all	31.5%	sellers
000	5	8	10	\$7.75	sales & buyers

000	Tls. 1 0	Tls. 10	Tls. 40, sellers
000	Tls. 1 10	Tls. 100	Tls. 35, sellers
000	Tls. 1 10	Tls. 100	Tls. 45, sellers
000	Tls. 6 0	Tls. 100	Tls. 150
\$	1	\$ 10	9.80, sellers
\$	20	\$ 1	20, sellers
\$	20	\$ 20	11 1/2, sellers
\$	50	\$ 50	<35, ex div., sellers
\$	10	al	89, sales
\$	50	\$ 50	45, sellers
\$	500	100	500, Nom.
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Value.	Interest.		Quotation.
2507 1/2 p. annum 10 1/2 prem.			
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